

IRBY QUESTIONS
RICHARDS' FAITH

Twits Him With His Sudden Conversion. New "Spoils System."

Marion, June 25.—Speaking of what he called John G. Richards' sudden conversion to Blaisism, W. C. Irby, Jr., of Laurens told the Marion campaign meeting audience that his opponent reminded him more of a camp follower than a coat-tail swinger because he lagged behind while the battle raged and when it ended rushed on the field to seize the spoils. Square just in front of the court house, characterization of him, declared that he had always worked for what he considered the best interests of the people and intended to vote for Blaise.

"When the people who were with Blaise went down to defeat with him years ago where was John G. Richards then?" asked Mr. Irby, who is a candidate for governor, soon after he began to speak today.

Mr. Richards, said Mr. Irby, thought himself a most persecuted man because after his sudden conversion to Blaise he has been accused of "coat-tail swinging."

Mr. Richards has almost concluded himself that he is a 'coat-tail swinger' and thinking that everybody else is of the same opinion, he is hitting at everybody," declared Mr. Irby.

Mr. Irby asked if Mr. Richards was for Blaise when he went into caucus with Senator Tillman on advisability of running against the governor two years ago.

"Mr. Richards is more like a camp follower than a 'coat-tail swinger,'" declared Mr. Irby. "You know what a camp follower is. He stays behind and lets others do the fighting. Then he runs in and divides the spoils."

The meeting was held under the arching elms on Marion's grassy public square just in front of the court house. The candidates spoke from a stand. J. W. Johnson, county chairman, presided.

In his speech W. W. Moore, candidate for reelection as adjutant general, said that the indications were that Capt. A. C. Willis, his opponent, would get the administration's support. Capt. Willis had read a letter of endorsement from Charles J. Epps, a colonel on the staff of the governor.

The Canary Bird Girl.

J. A. Hunter, candidate for lieutenant governor, said he would have been glad to have supported the former till had it been amended to meet his views. He declared that Tim Miller, a negro from Beaufort, had originated the idea expressed in the Fortner bill and advocated it in the constitutional convention of 1895.

B. Frank Kelley denied that he had been defeated for the State senate from Lee, as charged by Mr. Hunter in Florence.

Andrew J. Bothea and William M. Hunter, the two other candidates for lieutenant governor, were both among their home folks and made their usual speeches.

Charles Carroll Simms, the first candidate for governor to speak, said that certain newspapers were opposing him for no other reason than that "he was a friend to a gentleman condemned by them." He paid a glowing tribute to the present governor and denounced compulsory education.

Charles A. Smith pointed to his record as mayor of Timmonsville in declaring his intention to enforce the law.

"No blind tigers flourished where I had the power to put them out of business," said Mr. Smith.

"If I am governor, the races will not be run in Charleston," declared the lieutenant governor. "They should be and they must be stopped."

Mr. Smith said that the trouble with local option was that its effects were not localized and proposed a referendum on the question of state-wide prohibition. "If your neighboring county sells liquor the evil overflows into your county," argued Mr. Smith.

"The cause of education and the need of law enforcement are the two pleas on which I base my candidacy for governor," said Mendel L. Smith. His declaration for law enforcement was applauded.

"All the troubles that have ever come to the poor man have been the work of those designing politicians who declared most loudly in his favor and did the least to supply his needs," said Speaker Smith.

Lowmes J. Browning said that a compulsory education law would not be enforced unless the sentiment of the people were in favor of it. He told of his plan of rural credits and for tax reform.

"Hurrah for Clinkscals!" shouted many in the audience as John G. Clinkscals began his speech. Mr. Clinkscals said he believed the lawlessness in South Carolina, which was a disgrace to the state, was due to abuse of the pardoning power. He then launched into a vigorous plea for state-wide compulsory education. Mr. Clinkscals was presented with two bunches of flowers.

John T. Duncan said there was a

great cry going up about enforcing the law. "But who is it that is not enforcing the law?" asked Mr. Duncan. "There are coat-tail swingers in this campaign. Surely they are not swinging on a coat-tail and kicking it, too."

Richard I. Manning declared for local option, the enforcement of law and discretion in issuing pardons. He was applauded. He told of his support of local option compulsory education.

John G. Richards said he did not propose to allow candidates and newspapers to twit him into throwing down the office of railroad commissioner which the people had given him. "I am denominated a demagogue, because I tell you that the passage of a compulsory education law would sweep 100,000 negroes into the schools," said Mr. Richards. "Under a compulsory education law, the negroes could mandamus us and make us put their children in schools."

"We can not afford to put the children into school under compulsion until we provide adequate school houses for them and provide free textbooks," added Mr. Richards.

"They refer to me, some of them, as a coat-tail swinger and a camp follower," said Mr. Richards, who stated that he was linked with the Reformers in 1890, was still with them and had always worked for what he considered best for the people.

"I propose to vote for Blaise," began Mr. Richards.

"Blaise is the governor for his friends, isn't he?" asked an old man sitting in front of the stand.

"I don't mean to discuss that with you, my venerable and learned friend," replied Mr. Richards. "If you want to you can discuss that with the audience. I have stated my position and will win or go down to defeat on it."

This declaration brought a few cheers from the crowd. The man whose question Mr. Richards did not answer was not among those who cheered.—The State.

RABUN NEWS.

Lisbon, June 27.—The farmers in this part of the county have a very good stand of cotton at last. We can't make anything like a full crop unless frost will stay off until December 15th. In the cotton that came up early you can see a bloom here and there. Upland corn is needing rain very badly. Those of us who have some bottoms are not suffering much because corn here was planted later, yet a good rain would make them grow faster. Gardens are about out of the question but we could soon have beans if the rains would set in and give up a real good season. The blackberry and plum crops are almost a failure, but we have the peaches on the trees, and some of them will be getting ripe in the near future.

The trustees of the Lisbon high school will soon call an election to elect trustees for the next two years, as the law provides.

Mrs. Nina Holmes of Greenville, is visiting Mr. A. R. Holmes and family.

Mrs. J. T. A. Ballow is spending a fortnight in Columbia and Union.

Mr. Simpson Malone is very feeble these days.

These old soldiers ought to receive more attention, but that is the way of the world, when you need the help of the people, you are certain to get less. You take the majority of these candidates going the rounds and they are telling the dear people what they think of them. We do wish the poor people would wake up and come to their senses, then again they are telling the poor people that the time is not ripe for compulsory education, that is another old gag, when they know that when you educate the poor people, they can vote intelligently and such men who agitate such a question will not run much less hold office.

And the new rules will keep a good many of the poor people from voting? We want to know how in the world that would keep anybody from voting when the rules says if he can't write his name, he can make his mark and the secretary can witness same. That is another old gag, to get votes, but we believe that the people are going to take care of his vote this time. Those that can't read for himself, will listen to the other fellow who can.

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\$1.00 bottle Wampoles Cod Liver Oil	79
50c bottle Electric Bitters quiets your nerves	39
15c Iron Biscuit Pan	10
2 Pie Plates	05
Special lot 25c Glass Dishes, July Sale	10
15c Butter Dish, July Sale	10
Fine lot Flower Pots and Churns, (good ware) at July Sale prices.	
Just received a big lot of Trunks at July Sale prices.	
\$1.00 bottle Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound, sale price	79
50c bottle Tyners Dispepsia Cure, guaranteed	39
75c Covered Steak Dish, July Sale	49
Frying Pans, sale price	10
Special lot Lamps, July Sale	10, 25, 39, and 48
Let your light shine.	
Chair Seats, bottom that old chair	08 and 10
2 pkgs. Shoe Nails	05
2 spools Thread (good)	05
8 balls Thread	05
600 Men's Suits, all going at July Sale prices—now dress up and be somebody.	
Just made a big deal with a wall paper manufacturer.	
This lot all goes in this July Sale, double roll	10
Buy a Straw Hat now and a light Summer Coat, alpaca, mohair Coats and keep cool all the summer.	
Just received a big lot of Men's Dress Shirts, 50c quality	
July Sale price	39
7 cakes best Laundry Soap, Sale price	25
7 yds good Calico	25
7 yds fancy Lawn	25
12 1-2c quality Bleaching	09
15c Dress Goods, July price	12 1-2
6 1-2 Calico, July price	05
7 1-2c Percale, July price	06
10c Percale, July price	08 1-2
12 1-2c Percale, July price	10
2 nice Handkerchiefs	05
360 pairs Ladies, fancy Hose, red, green, pink, blue, worth 15c, July sale	10
360 pairs Men's solid color half Hose, all colors, worth 15c, July sale	10
Just received a big lot of Rings, Stone Settings and July Rose Settings, worth 25c, our special July price	10
Gold filled watches, cases guaranteed for 10 years, July price	4 98
Special Watch deal—Watches worth \$3.50 to \$4.00, our special July sale	2 39
Keep your eyes on Red Iron Racket—something doing.	
Special values in Work Shirts	23, 39, 45
\$1.00 Overalls, Big Buck	85
\$4.00 Art Square, 9x12	2 49
\$1.50 large Rug	98
\$3.00 large Bible	98
Big values in Tinware, Crockery, Glass Ware, and Enamelled Ware, down in the basement, the coolest place in town. Come down and look around.	
All \$1.00 Bottles of Standard Medicines, July Sale	79
All 50c Bottles of Standard Medicines, July Sale	39
Big deal in Men's Fur Hats, sample hats, worth \$1.50 and \$2.00, July Sale	98
Big July Sale of Men's Pants .98, 1.39 up to 4.39 for the \$6.00 kind. Pants walk about—move out.	
1 set (6) Tall Ice Tea Tumblers	35
1 10-qt. Tin Bucket	10
1 large Dish Pan	10
1 lot Mexican Sun Hats	10
1 lot Jewelry (25c) values	10
\$1.00 Watch July Special	68
\$1.00 Alarm Clock, July Special	49
2 pkgs Cork Tip Cigaretts, July Special	05
25c pkg. Black Draught	15
All fine Candies worth 15c to 20c lb, special	10
22 lbs Granulated Sugar	99
6 lbs good Parched Coffee	99
1 lb best Black Pepper	19

4 pkgs. Starch	15
15 cakes Laundry Soap, Sale price	25
3 boxes Searchlight Matches, Sale price	10
8 boxes for	25
Garden Hoes and Jardineers free, July give-away.	
300 pair Men's Work Pants and Knockabout Pants, July Sale	98
Don't go ragged—come to J. C. Burns & Co. and dress up. You must wear Clothes—and remember J. C. Burns & Co. sells Clothes for less money.	
Leather is high and Shoes are high in the market, but we have about 6,000 pairs of Children's Women's and Men's Shoes and Slippers which we are selling out at Red Hot, July Sale prices. Buy now, you'll save money. Money saved is money made.	
Clean Sweep Broom Sale	25 and 39
\$2.50 Alarm Clock	1 89
Palm Leaf Fans to give away to our customers—come to Red Iron Racket and get your flip-ti-flop Sunday cooler. Hot—O my! Rain much needed.	
Red Iron Racket sells very near everything—good, better and best and best of all is J. C. Burns & Co. sells it for less.	
\$2.50 Men's fine Fur Hats, July Sale	1 98
Don't worry—don't hurry—you come next. Buy your goods at J. C. Burns & Co's. big July Sale. Smile and be happy.	

BIG UNDERWEAR DEAL.

Just closed a big deal with a manufacturer on summer Athlete Underwear. About 2,000 garments in this lot. Consists of Men's Union Suits, Short Sleeve Shirts and Knee Drawers, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 goods. We are going to throw this lot to the July breeze.	
All 25c grades, special July price	19
All 50c grades, special July price	39
All \$1.00 grades, special July price	69
Buy now and save money and keep cool all the summer. Fine goods in this lot.	
We buy for less; we sell for less; you buy here—we both make money.	
25c bottle Goose Grease Liniment, cures all aches and pains, July sale	19
Everybody's business is nobody's business. We attend to our own business—buy for less and sell for less.	
Special deal in Ladies' Slippers, July Sale, ranging in price from .98, 1.39, 1.68, 1.98, 2.48 for the \$3.50 kind.	
\$1.00 bottle Yerkes Cod Liver Oil. Sold under a guarantee, our July sale price	79
\$1.00 package Thedford's Black Draught, July price	75
\$1.00 bottle Electric Bitters, July sale price	79

JULY SALE OF EMBROIDERY.

8c and 10c quality, July sale	05
15c and 20c quality, July sale	10
25c quality, July sale	12 1-2
35c quality, July sale	25
50c quality, July sale	39
68c and 75c quality, July sale	48
\$1.00 quality, July sale	79

BIG JULY RIBBON SALE

8c and 10c Ribbon	05
15c Ribbon	10
25c Ribbon	19
35c Ribbon	25

BIG SHOE DEAL.

Just closed a deal with a manufacturer for about 600 pairs of sample Shoes and odd lots. This lot consists of Men's fine low cut shoes worth \$3.00 to \$4.00 a pair. We have thrown this lot to the July breeze at \$1.98 and \$2.48. This lot comes in tans, patent, vici, and gun metal. Now is your time to get a fine shoe for a little price. Under buy and under sell is our motto.

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